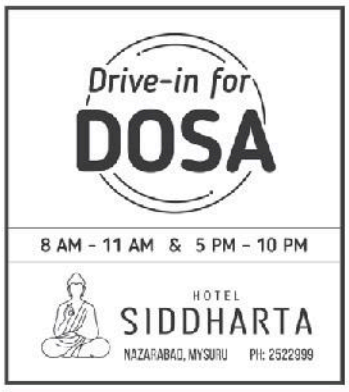

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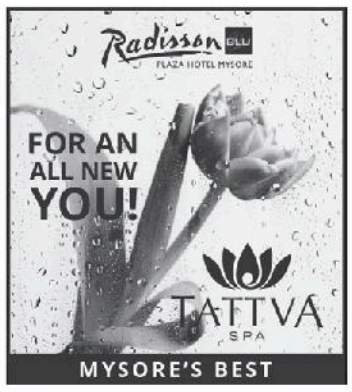

7,336 traffic violation cases booked in a day

Police stopping a bike rider for checking near Bandipalya on Mysuru-Nanjangud Road yesterday.

Mysuru, May 28 (RK&BCT)- In a day-long crackdown yesterday, the City Police recorded 7,336 traffic violation cases across the city. The operation commenced in the morning and extended until 2 am the next day, with teams also focusing on checking drink-and-drive cases.

The comprehensive operation was a joint effort by the Civil and Traffic Police, along with the Commando Force, under the guidance of City Police Commissioner Ramesh Banoth. Senior officers, including DCP (Law and Order) M. Muthuraj and DCP (Crime and Traffic) S. Jahnavi, as well as ACPs and Inspectors, were actively involved in the operation.

Police sources revealed that even the Police Commissioner remained on the roads until the conclusion of the operation.

(See TRAFFIC on page 7)

Speaking to *Star of Mysore* this morning, Police Commissioner B. Ramesh highlighted that coordinated efforts have enabled the Police to raise awareness effectively. "We've noticed a trend where vehicle number plates are being tampered with to avoid detection by CCTV cameras and other recently installed Artificial Intelligence-based cameras. This necessitated an on-ground operation. Yesterday, in one day we booked 113 number plate violation cases," he explained.

B. Ramesh

"Collecting fines and filling Government coffers is not our primary objective. We aim to emphasise the importance of preserving lives. It's better to take precautions on the roads rather than risk accidents and lifelong disabilities," Ramesh said.

Crackdown

on vehicles with Govt. insignia or similar signs from June 1

Only Govt. vehicles bearing 'G' series registration plates permitted to display logos

Bengaluru, May 28 (BCT)- The use of boards and logos representing Government Departments, Boards, Corporations and non-Government agencies on private vehicles is strictly prohibited and can result in penal action and punishment for repeat offences.

Certain private vehicle drivers have reportedly exploited this prohibition, engaging in misuse and displaying arrogant and power-drunk behaviour. Some individuals behave as if they are VIPs simply by affixing Government emblems onto their vehicles. According to regulations, only Central and State Government vehicles are permitted to display the name, emblem and logo of the respective Government entities.

However, in Bengaluru and Mysuru, numerous vehicles affiliated with Government Bodies, private organisations and even individuals have been found to unlawfully sport Government logos and symbols.

The Transport Department has already registered hundreds of cases in this regard.

In response to this misuse, the State Transport Department has established special investigation teams tasked with identifying and rectifying instances of unauthorised registration plates.

A crackdown on private vehicles engaging in such violations will begin on June 1.

Mallikarjun, the Additional Transport Commissioner, said that as per Transport Department regulations, only Government vehicles bearing the 'G' series of registration plates are permitted to display the name and logo of the Karnataka Government.

Vehicles associated with Government-affiliated entities, including Local Bodies, Boards and Corporations, are prohibited from utilising the Government logo or insignia.

For instance, although KSRTC is a State-owned Corporation, it is not authorised to use the Government's name and logo.

The Transport Department has issued a stern warning, indicating that action will be taken against vehicles found to be displaying unauthorised Government logos under the Motor Vehicles Act. Cases will be filed against the offenders accordingly.

Robs in Mysuru; caught in Maharashtra

Unidentified miscreant snatches gold chain at Saraswathipuram on May 22 before escaping; Accused has over 50 criminal cases against him in Nagpur

Mysuru, May 28 (RK&KS)- Saraswathipuram Police have reportedly arrested a chain-snatcher at Nagpur in Maharashtra. The accused, yet to be identified, had snatched a part of the gold chain from a woman, who was on her way to a shop at Saraswathipuram on Wednesday (May 22) morning.

The woman, who had lost her gold chain, is Madhura, a resident of Telecom Layout in Saraswathipuram Police limits.

At about 8 am, Madhura was walking towards a shop when the bike-borne chain-snatcher, aged about 30, tried to snatch the gold chain from her person.

As the alert woman held on to her chain tightly, the chain-snatcher managed to flee with only a part of the gold chain weighing about 30 grams. Following the incident, Madhura lodged a complaint at Saraswathipuram Police Station.

The Police, who swung into action by registering a case, traced him based on the clues in Nagpur and arrested him with the help of local Police last night.

The Police also came to know that the accused has over 50 criminal cases registered against him in Nagpur.

The Police are bringing the chain-snatcher to Mysuru after completing legal procedures.

The Cops will interrogate him and produce him before a City Court. More details are awaited.

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"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Tuesday 28th May 2024

Laksha Vrukshothsava in Mysuru on June 8

H.V. Rajeev Sneha Balaga to distribute one lakh saplings; CM to inaugurate

H.V. Rajeev seen at a plant nursery.

Mysuru, May 28 (MK&VNS)- City-based H.V. Rajeev Sneha Balaga, under the leadership of former MUDA Chairman H.V. Rajeev, is set to kickstart the distribution of one lakh saplings among Mysureans, with Chief Minister Siddaramaiah and other dignitaries in attendance on June 8.

Collaborating with various associations, the Balaga has been actively organising programmes to foster afforestation by distributing approximately 25,000 saplings to the public, institutions, and organisations.

Since 2019, they have provided neem, peepal, banyan, mahogany and other saplings, which have been planted in and around Mysore Airport, numerous schools and colleges, H.D. Kote Main Road, hospitals, parks and various other locations.

Before distributing the saplings, the Balaga ensures they reach a height of about 7-8 feet, ensuring their robustness. On June 8, the organisation aims to distribute roughly 15,000-20,000 saplings.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore*, Rajeev highlighted the importance of environmental conservation.

He emphasised that while many people talk about conservation and saving the environment, it is crucial for at least 5 percent of them to actively plant saplings in their immediate neighbourhood.

"People need to recognise that our survival is intricately linked to the surrounding environment. Therefore, maintaining ecological balance should be a top priority," he added.

Rajeev also noted that several institutions and Government agencies, such as Mysuru City Corporation, MUDA, NGOs and educational institutions, have been procuring saplings for plantation on their premises.

Additionally, the former MUDA Chairman recommended planting saplings of trees native to forests in urban areas to mitigate the risk of falling trees during heavy rains and winds, thereby promoting ecological resilience.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

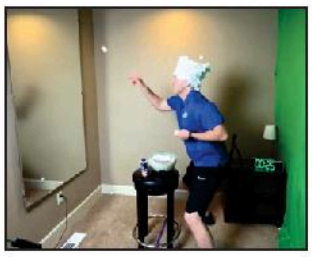
TROLL FOR TROLL: ***When you are in the Opposition and in the eagerness to mock the ruling dispensation, you sometimes fail to check the veracity of the news that suits your requirements. The same happened with the BJP in Karnataka. It found a video of a bus driver driving with an umbrella in hand during the rain and it was quick to jump the gun. Within moments the BJP started trolling the ruling Congress highlighting the video which it said was the sorry state of transport services. But it turned out that it was a video shot by the conductor of the bus and the driver for fun. While the inquiry led to the suspension of both the driver and the conductor, it also gave ammunition to the ruling party and the Transport Minister to return the "favour."***

Having been trolled, the Minister was in no good mood and responded in strong words highlighting the "missing link between the eyes and the brain of BJP leaders."

—In The Hindu

NEWS SPARKLERS

Man bags his 171st world record



New York: Serial Guinness World Record-breaker David Rush covered his head in shaving cream and bounced table tennis balls to earn his 171st concurrently held title.

Rush, who previously broke the record for most table tennis balls bounced and caught in shaving foam on the head in 30 seconds (team of two) multiple times, took on the individual version of the same record.

He said the Guinness World Records rules for the title required him to bounce the table tennis balls off a wall and catch them in the shaving cream on his head.

Rush ended up catching 14 of the balls, tying the record previously set by California man Ronald Sarchian in May 2023. The two men are now co-holders of the record.

Woman wakes up to a snake in her toilet

Moscow: A woman recently got the shock of her life when she entered her bathroom and saw a full-grown white Boa constrictor snake hanging out on her toilet bowl.

The woman almost had a heart attack when she entered her bathroom and found an albino boa constrictor coming out of her toilet bowl. The shocked woman slammed the bathroom door shut and immediately called emergency service. It turned out that the snake was a fellow resident of the apartment building who had simply gone out to explore its drain pipe system.

The snake belonged to another resident of the building, who had left it in his bathroom to clean its terrarium. The reptile managed to enter the pipe through the bathtub drain and made its way into the woman's toilet bowl. The boa is a repeat offender, as two years ago it escaped its terrarium and was found on the building's stairwell by another neighbour.

HEALTH CAPSULE

UTIs in certain populations, such as pregnant women or individuals with underlying health conditions, may require special attention and management to prevent complications and ensure the health of both the individual and the fetus.

By Dr. Vasudeva Pai H. - Consultant - Surgical Gastroenterology Manipal Hospital, Mysore

manipalhospitals LIFE'S ON

** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature*

Get set to witness rare cosmic phenomenon on June 3

Enjoy the sight of Mercury, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus and Neptune in a single line

Bengaluru, May 28 (Agencies)- Sky watchers, get ready for a planetary parade of six planets, a celestial event on June 3. People will be able to see Jupiter, Mercury, Mars and Saturn with the naked eye. Those with high-powered binoculars or a telescope will also be able to peep at Uranus, which will be located near Mercury and Neptune, that will be near Saturn.

This is the second planet parade to occur this year. The last one was during 2024 solar eclipse. People who were in the path of totality could spot Jupiter, Venus, Saturn and Mars right in the middle of the eclipse, although Mars and Saturn may have been a bit more difficult to spot. Venus will also be there, but will be impossible to see because it's right next to the sun.

There are a total of five such events till 2025: June 3, 2024, Aug. 28, 2024, Jan. 18, 2025, Feb. 28, 2025 and Aug. 29, 2025. The Feb. 28, 2025, date is notable because all seven planets will be visible at the same time.

How to view?: One has to choose a clear viewing spot, unobstructed view of the horizon. Places such as hills or open fields which are away from city lights are ideal to view the celestial phenomenon.

WATER LEVEL

KRS DAM	KABINI DAM	HARANGI DAM
Maximum **124.80 feet**	Maximum **2,284.00 feet**	Maximum **2,859.00 feet**
Today's level **83.50 feet**	Today's level **2,260.58 feet**	Today's level **2,824.12 feet**
Last year's level **80.78 feet**	Last year's level **2,251.52 feet**	Last year's level **2,819.58 feet**
Yesterday's level **83.20 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,260.60 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,824.12 feet**
Today's Inflow **2,364 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **330 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **230 cusecs**
Today's Outflow **540 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **300 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **200 cusecs**

REALLY...?

- ***A pack of African wild dogs has been sighted on Mount Kilimanjaro. They can live up to 12 years.***
- ***African wild dogs are famous for their large, round ears and their multicoloured coats.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Teacher: *Joy, when was Rome built?*
Joy: *At night.*
Teacher: *Who told you that Joy?*
Joy*: You did, Miss... you said that Rome wasn't built in a day!*

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 83.16
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 106.21
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 22.64
1 Euro	= Rs. 90.45

VOICE OF THE READER

Road damage near signal lights?

Sir,

Is it a mere coincidence that the roads are almost always damaged near the traffic signal lights? There are either potholes or road cuts there. Sometimes it is a hump.

These are the places where every second counts. But the vehicles will have to go slow because of the damage on the road.

Result: Lesser number of vehicles manage to make it to the other side before the lights turn red.

Right now, there is a big fracture on the road near the signal light, next to the petrol bunk near the Railway Station. It is a very busy place at all time.

I request the authorities to repair it at the earliest and ensure smooth flow of vehicles. Otherwise, I am sure there will be unnecessary accidents — what with many vehicles trying to reach the Railway Station in time.

They should also, in future, make it a policy to avoid placing humps near the signal lights and always keep such spots free of potholes or any other damages.

— **P.L. Jothindra**
Ramakrishnanagar
26.5.2024

VTU to undergo administrative reforms for academic enhancement: VC

Mysore University Vice-Chancellor Prof. N.K. Lokanath inaugurating the new Laboratory at VTU Mysuru Regional Centre at Sathagalli in city on Sunday last as Visvesvaraya Technological University (VTU), Belagavi, Vice-Chancellor Prof. S. Vidyashankar and others look on.

Mysuru, May 28 (SPN&DM)- Visvesvaraya Technological University (VTU), Belagavi, Vice-Chancellor Prof. S. Vidyashankar said that administrative reforms have been undertaken and more focus has been made on research in order to enhance the academic standards of the University.

He was speaking after inaugurating Kuvempu Multi-Media Centre, Physics and Chemistry Lab and Digital Marketing Laboratory at VTU Mysuru Regional Centre at Sathagalli here on Sunday.

Pointing out that the VTU has set up 4 research cluster centres for raising academic standards, Prof. Vidyashankar, who had earlier served as Vice-Chancellor of Mysuru-based KSOU, said cluster centres in respect of Computer Science, Mechanical, Civil and Electronics branches of Engineering will soon be established at Mysuru, Bengaluru, Kalaburagi and Belagavi. These cluster centres will be provided Rs.25 lakh grant each, he added.

"A high-level Telecom Centre of Excellence will be started at VTU Bengaluru Regional Centre. This will be the first such centre in the country. If everything goes as per plans, the research clusters and Telecom Centre will be opened on June 24," he said adding that VTU has plans to bring the Engineering Colleges under it to within 30th rank.

Continuing, Prof. Vidyashankar said that the VTU plans to introduce the IISc., model for M.Tech course, for which the Varsity is sourcing the curriculum from 10 International Universities and 10 IITs and NITs across the country.

Stating that the VTU is in talks with 40 top industrialists for helping fresh research students to establish start ups, he said that the VTU will do its best for promoting start ups.

"The University has set up a 10-member expert committee for enhancing research quality. The VTU has awarded Ph.D degrees to over 2,500 research students after I took over as the VC one- and-a-half-years ago," he noted.

Mysore University Vice-Chancellor Prof. N.K. Lokanath, in his address, said that the VTU has been giving many facilities to technical students. The students must make best use of this opportunity to excel in academics, research and career, he added.

VTU Registrar B.E. Rangaswamy, Registrar (Evaluation) T.N. Srinivas, Finance Officer M.A. Sapna, VTY Mysuru Regional Director T.P. Renukamurthy and others were present.

60 Govt. PU Colleges rebranded to Model Colleges; focus on Science

Bengaluru, May 28 (TRR)- In a fresh initiative to enhance the quality of Science education, the Government has decided to upgrade 60 select Government PU Colleges to Model Colleges.

With this new initiative, the Department of Education aims to correct the prevailing perception about the quality of Science teaching in Government PU Colleges.

These Model PU Colleges will help realise the dreams of thousands of economically weaker students who have been deprived of Science education due to their inability to pay exorbitant fees at Private Colleges.

The Department plans to start these Model Colleges with the PCMCS (Computer Science) combination in the forthcoming academic year. The upgradation of Government PU Science Colleges is being undertaken at a cost of Rs. 500 crore.

Facilities available

In each upgraded PU Model College, the first phase of upgradation will include laboratories, UPS systems, digital libraries, furniture and building painting, with an amount of Rs. 9.8 lakh already deposited in the bank accounts of the respective Colleges.

Later, other facilities such as smart boards, computer lab equipment, coaching materials and other necessities for a Science College will be provided with additional grants from the Department.

The PCMCS combination is being introduced in Model PU Colleges in addition to the existing PCMB combination. To teach Computer Science in these colleges, computer lecturers with less workload from other colleges will be deputed by the respective DDPUs.

Additionally, special coaching will be provided to students to prepare them for CET, NEET, JEE, AEE and other competitive examinations.

Pramati to host Inter-School and Junior College Staff Tournament

Mysuru, May 28- Pramati Hillview Academy, Kuvempunagar, has arranged Inter-School and Junior College Staff Tournament at Sports Pavilion, University of Mysore, on June 16 and 17.

'Pramati Cricket Cup' for men and 'Pramati Throwball Cup' for women will be held in the sports event. Staff of School or Junior College can participate in this event.

Participants will get certificate/ memento. Best Player of the Match and Best Player of the Tournament will also be declared with trophy and cash prize.

Preference will be given to first registered 20 teams and registration ends on May 30.

For registration and more details, contact Mob: 88928-27648 or 93806-08774, according to a press release from Pramati Hillview Academy Principal.

Session on TPM Excellence Model held

Mysuru, May 28- The Second TQM Forum Meeting of the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII), Mysuru Zone, was held on May 24 at Automotive Axles Limited in Mysuru.

Nagaraja Gargeshwari, President & Whole-time Director and Muraleekrishnan, Factory Manager, addressed the Session on TPM Excellence Model.

J. Hariharamahadevan, Convenor, TQM Forum & Senior General Manager, Schneider Electric India Pvt. Ltd. and Ranganathan, Convenor, Finance & Taxation Panel & CFO, Automotive Axles Ltd., also addressed the delegates.

The meeting was about understanding TPM and how it has improved manufacturing productivity and quality. Upgradation of old machinery, IoT implementation for traceability of products, JH activities and action plan for implementing ideas at the shop floor; TPM Problem description & identification of Non-Value-Added activity and elimination of the same.

Automotive Axles Limited has been awarded TPM Excellence, Category - A Awards 2023 from Japan Institute of Plant Management (JIPM), Japan. The Award ceremony was held on Mar. 20, 2024 in Japan. About 40 TQM Forum members attended the event, which included a study tour to learn best practices at Automotive Axles.

NEWS BRIEFS

Power disruption

As Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited (KPTCL) has taken up its 1st quarterly maintenance works at FTS Power Distribution Centre, there will be no power supply tomorrow (May 29) between 10 am and 5.30 pm in Ashoka Road, Lashkar Mohalla, Tilaknagar, Mission Hospital, Gandhi Square, Old Bank Road, K.T. Street, Dodda Vokkaligara Beedi, Irwin Road, Sayyaji Rao Road, Pulakeshi Road, Kailasapuram, Mandi Mohalla, Shivarampet, Boti Bazar, K.R. Hospital, Dhanvanthri Road, Veeranagere, Shivaji Road, St. Mary's Road, Gandhinagar, AJ Block, Ganeshnagar, Rajendranagar, Kesare 1st, 2nd and 3rd Stages, Subhashnagar and NR Mohalla, according to a press release from the Executive Engineer, NR Mohalla Division.

Theatre Festival

The following plays will be staged in Rangayana premises as part of 'Naandi' Theatre Festival by the 2023-24 batch students of Rangayana's Bharatiya Ranga Shikshana Kendra: **May 29:** 'Vriksha Raja' (Directed by Heisnam Tomba) at Bhoomigeeta at 6.30 pm; **May 30:** 'Venicina Vyapara' (Directed by Amith J. Reddy) at Bhoomigeeta at 6.30 pm; **May 31:** 'Kakanakote' (Directed by S. Ramanatha) at Vanaranga at 7 pm.

Free eye check-up

City's Amrutamshu Trust, in association with Narayana Multi-Specialty Hospital and District Blindness Eradication Centre, is conducting a free eye check-up and cataract operation camp at No. 2767, 'Panchajanya', 5th Main Road, Medarakeri, Chamundipuram, at 9 am tomorrow (May 29). For details, contact Mob: 99452-70646, according to a press release.

Mass Upanayana

Sri Chitkala Trust, located on 5th Main Road, Saraswathipuram, will be organising a free mass Upanayana (Bramhopadesha) for Brahmin community children at Sri Ramamandira, New Kantharaj Urs Road, Krishnamurthypuram on June 23. Interested parents of children can register before June 15. For details, contact Mob: 94490-47608, 94815-29770 or 98800-04652, according to a press release.

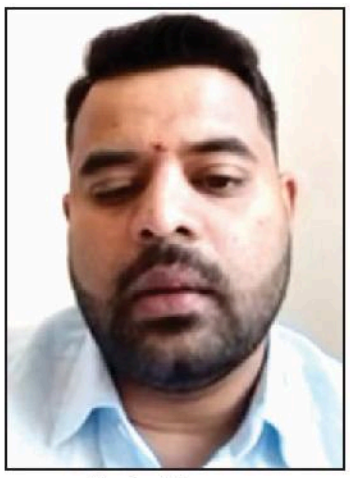
Scientific Pranayama

Scientific Pranayama Foundation Trust (SPFT), Mysuru, is conducting various courses from June 2024 for practical sessions of Scientific Pranayama for the health and well-being of the public. For details, contact SPFT Manager Shreelatha on Mob: 99807-54914, according to a press release.

Sex Scandal

Finally, Prajwal Revanna emerges from the dark

Releases 2.57-minute video statement from abroad; promises to appear before SIT on May 31



Prajwal Revanna

Mysuru, May 28 (BLU&BS)- A month after flying abroad on Apr. 26, Hassan JD(S) MP Prajwal Revanna, who is accused of a sex scandal, made a sudden appearance by releasing a video statement on Monday (May 27). Prajwal, has announced to appear before the Special Investigation Team (SIT) probing into the scandal, on May 31 at 10 am, raising the curiosity over the case that is popular as 'Pen Drive Case' hitting the headlines across the globe.

In the 2.57 minutes video, Prajwal has played a victim card, seeking to clear the air and also assuring to bare it all before SIT, exuding confidence over coming out clean in the case.

He has blamed it on the meticulous conspiracy hatched by his political rivals, especially Congress party, pitting all those with vested interest in Hassan against him.

Prajwal, who begins with an apology to his parents, grandfather and uncle and party workers, has stated in the video that "My foreign trip on Apr. 26 was pre-planned. There was neither any case filed against me nor was SIT constituted at the time I flew abroad. I came know about the case filed back home through news channels only after three to four days. I also received a notice from SIT later, following which I requested for seven days time to appear before the probe team, through my advocate and had shared it on my 'X' account."

"Congress leader Rahul Gandhi and other leaders of that party started to speak about the case in public rallies, following which I slipped into depression and went into isolation. The political conspiracy was hatched by framing me in several cases, only to scuttle my growth in public life," added Prajwal in his video statement.

Soon after viewing Prajwal's video statement, Home Minister Dr.G. Parameshwara, while speaking to media persons in Tumakuru said "After Prajwal's arrival to the country, SIT will probe on the basis of evidence available with them. I welcome his announcement to appear before SIT on May 31."

Former Chief Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy, who is also Prajwal's uncle said "I am relieved over Prajwal finally responding to the appeal made by former Prime Minister H.D. Deve Gowda. He has promised to appear for SIT probe on May 31. The truth will be out in the coming days that will reveal the handwork of many involved in the case. Let's wait and watch."

FIR for issuing Death Certificate for a living person

Revenue Officers' Association unhappy over Police action

Mysuru, May 28 (SPN&KS)- The office-bearers of Karnataka Rajya Grama Adalitha Adhikarigala Kendra Sangha, Mysuru Unit, expressed their displeasure over the Police registering an FIR against Revenue Department officials for issuing a 'Death Certificate' to a living person.

They submitted a memorandum to the Additional Deputy Commissioner (ADC) yesterday, outlining their concerns.

In the memorandum, the Association office-bearers highlighted that FIR No. 0063/2024, dated 23.05.2024, was registered against Revenue Officers at Biligere Police Station in Nanjangud taluk.

They pointed out that, according to Government circular 114/2017-18, it is mandatory to seek permission from higher officials before registering a case.

However, they observed that this protocol was not followed in this instance. They suggested that had the Police sought information from department heads or higher officers, the truth would have been revealed.

The office-bearers also noted that the Police lacked sufficient information about Revenue Department documents. They expressed concern that such incidents undermine the confidence of those serving in the Revenue Department, making it challenging for them to fulfil their duties effectively.

Association President Nagesh urged ADC Shivaraj to issue directives to the Police and ensure that similar incidents are avoided in the future.

Complainant in POCSO case against BSY dies

Bengaluru, May 28 (KMS&BS)- The complainant in a case filed against former Chief Minister B.S. Yediyurappa (BSY) under Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act, has died of respiratory related health issue at a private hospital near Hulimavu in city on Sunday.

The 53-year-old complainant in the case, had accused Yediyurappa of sexually assaulting her 17-year-old minor daughter, when the duo had been to the BJP strongman's house on Feb. 2 this year. The mother and daughter had gone to Yediyurappa's residence in Dollars Colony seeking his help to exert pressure on the State Government to constitute a Special Investigation Team (SIT) to probe into the complaint of sexual assault of the girl by a relative. Yediyurappa had spoken to the woman and her daughter for nine minutes only to console them. However, after a few days, in March this year, she had filed a complaint against Yediyurappa only (which is being probed by Criminal Investigation Department (CID)).

It is said that, the woman was suffering from cancer and had been admitted to the hospital for treatment, where she died of respiratory related issues.

She is survived by her daughter and a son.

Unidentified body found

Mysuru, May 28 (KS)- Hebbal Police, on May 25 have found a body of an unidentified man on the service road in front of a wine store in their jurisdiction and have registered a case.

The deceased is between 40 and 50 years, 5.3 ft. tall, oval faced, normal built, sports beard and moustache, has tattoos of Ganesha and Anjaneya on his right hand and was wearing a red and black T-Shirt and a faded grey coloured pant.

The kith and kin of the deceased, may contact Hebbal Police Station on Ph: 0821-2418318.

Obituary

Nayeem Unnissa

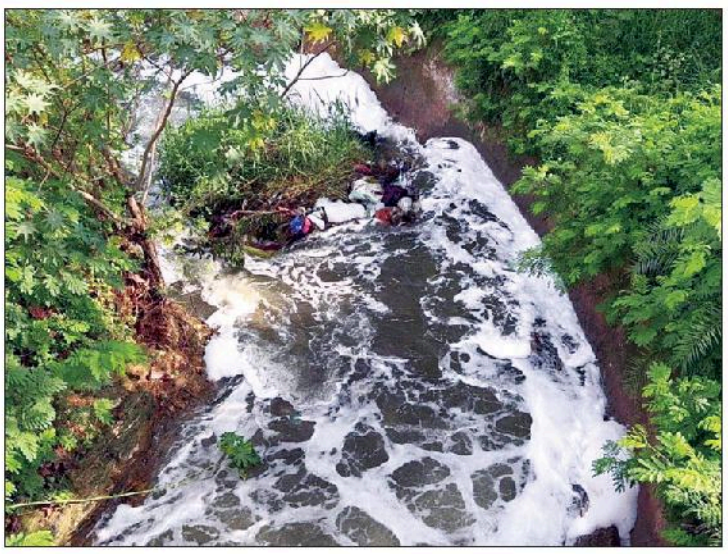
Mysuru, May 28- Nayeem Unnissa (84), wife of late Abdulla Shariff, proprietor of Chavi Sales on Anegundi Road in 2nd Eidgah, passed away following brief illness this morning in city.

She leaves behind two sons including Nasrulla Shariff, a Civil Engineer, two daughters, son-in-law Syed Shafi Ahmed, President of Anjuman-e- Taraqi Urdu (Hind), Mysore District Unit and a host of relatives and friends.

Namaz-e-Janaza will be offered today at Eidgah Masjid on Misson Hospital Road after Namaz-e-Isha (8 pm) followed by the burial at the Muslim Burial Grounds near Tipu Circle.

Mysuru's raw sewage, industry effluents pollute River Cauvery

Srirangapatna, May 28 (VK&BCT)- A significant amount of sewage mixed with industrial effluents from Mysuru city is flowing into the Cauvery River at Srirangapatna, turning the river toxic. This situation has raised health concerns among the people who rely on Cauvery water.



At Belagola, near the Infosys campus on Mysuru-Mandya border, a canal carries industrial effluents into the river. This connects to the Virija Canal, which branches into smaller canals that distribute the polluted water to villages and hundreds of acres of agricultural fields.

The effluents enter several villages, including Karekura, Ganjam, Hosahalli, Palahalli, Naguvanahalli, Chandagalu and Srirangapatna at different stages. Several farmers have reported skin diseases, experiencing itching sensations and deep-red rashes after using this water for washing or drinking.

Taking serious note of the unabated flow of sewage, Mandya Deputy Commissioner Dr. Kumara has now sent letters to his counterpart Dr. K.V. Rajendra in Mysuru and the Commissioner of Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) Dr. N.N. Madhu.

Many households in these villages — ironically located just a few furlongs from the KRS Dam — receive polluted water that has an odd colour and cannot be consumed without filtration.

In Srirangapatna town, sewage from multiple sources, including Watergate, Biddukote Ganapati Temple, the drainage in front of Ambedkar Bhavan and the Government Hospital, directly enters the river. Additionally, drainage water from Ganjam near Nimishamba Temple contributes to pollution.

Wastewater from Mysuru's industrial area, animal waste from butcher shops and waste from hotels, restaurants, homestays and some resorts are also being released into the Cauvery. Both locals and visitors, including those from other parts of the country and abroad, are consuming this contaminated water and using it for purification rituals, exacerbating the public health risk.

Ideally, drinking water should meet A-Grade standards, but the Cauvery River water has now deteriorated to C-Grade quality, say environmental experts.

Star of Mysore had alerted the authorities in 2021

Srirangapatna, May 28 (VK&BCT)- In March 2021, *Star of Mysore* had published a report titled 'Industrial Effluents From Mysuru Choke Cauvery,' highlighting the unabated flow of sewage and industrial effluents from Mysuru into the Cauvery River.

Since then, no officer or department has taken action, and the issue has gained prominence only now following the death of a 22-year-old youth in K. Salundi, Mysuru, and after 80 people fell ill from drinking contaminated water.

When the report was published in 2021, a team comprising the then Srirangapatna Taluk Health Officer Dr. N.K. Venkatesh, Block Health Education Officer S.D. Bennur, Taluk Health Manager G. Mohan and Senior Health Assistant Hemanna visited the canal near Belagola and collected samples for bacteriological analysis.

Samples were taken from the Palahalli Major Tank and Mini Water Tank at Sri Shambhulingeshwara Temple, Jal Bagh Canal and Belagola Canal. The bacteriological analysis report, released by the District Surveillance Unit Officer in Mandya, classified the water as NSPP (Not Suitable for Potable Purposes).

The Total Dissolved Solids (TDS) levels, which represent the total concentration of dissolved substances in the water, indicated a high concentration of TDS. This suggests the presence of harmful pollutants like iron, manganese, sulphate, bromide and arsenic, according to the report.

Demand soars for packaged drinking water

Mysuru, May 28 (MK&BCT)- As news of drinking water contamination spread rapidly in the past two weeks, the demand for packaged water in 20-litre cans and smaller water bottles has surged.

Reports of water shortages and cholera scares due to contamination have raised public awareness, increasing demand for packaged water. Additionally, the poor quality of water supplied by tankers has compelled many residents to rely on these cans to fulfil their drinking water requirements.

Distributors have noted that the demand for large-sized water jars has risen by over 50 percent this summer compared to last year. Over the past three years, there has been a significant increase of up to 50 percent in the demand for packaged water, according to distributors.

Mohammad Maaz, owner of Sama Aqua in the Bannimantap Industrial Area, mentioned, "We usually supply to commercial complexes and hospitals, but this season, we are receiving demand for these cans from individual customers in housing societies."

His customers include medical stores, hospitals, customers in housing societies etc. "People are buying more packaged water this year. Some are facing shortages in their societies and apartment complexes. Wholesale customers are also purchasing more," he said.

People trust Ozonated water, which has been treated with ozone gas, Maaz explained. "Ozone, a colourless, odourless, and highly reactive gas occurring naturally in the stratosphere and troposphere, has greater disinfection effectiveness against bacteria and viruses compared to chlorination. Additionally, its oxidising properties can reduce the concentration of iron, manganese and sulphur and eliminate taste and odour problems," he added.

Consumption of tanker water without filtration is not recommended. There is no quality check and it could contain bacteria and algae and cause fungal infections.

According to Mohammed Musthafa, Assistant Executive Engineer, Vani Vilas Water Works of the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC), there has been an increase in pure water drinking units established by the MCC. "In Mysuru city, there are 116 such units where people can insert Rs. 5 coins to get water. These RO plants adhere to the criteria set by the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) and the Government," he added.

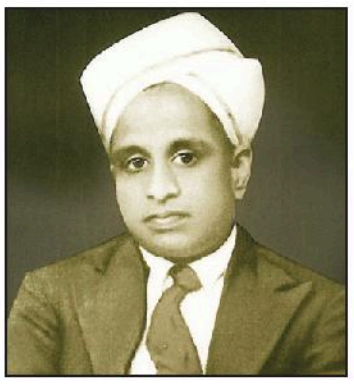
Memories of Mysuru Akashvani Station Founder Dr. M.V. Gopalaswamy on air

▶ Three generations host *Nenapina Doni* event in city

▶ Plans afoot to install bust of MVG at AIR entrance

A view of Mysuru Akashvani Station in Yadavagiri.

Mysuru Akashvani Station Founder Dr. M.V. Gopalaswamy's youngest son M.G. Rajinikanth, daughter Usha Sharma, granddaughter Bharathi Ghanashyam and great granddaughter Pavithra Ghanashyam at the 'Nenapina Doni' event held at Akashvani premises in Yadavagiri on Saturday (May 25) to honour the memory of its Founder.



Dr. M.V. Gopalaswamy (MVG)

Mysuru, May 28- The Janaka (father) of Akashvani, Dr. M.V. Gopalaswamy (MVG), came alive again on Saturday, 25th May 2024, when his survivors from three generations hosted '*Nenapina Doni*' (boat of memories), an event to celebrate his achievements and cherish his memories at Akashvani premises in Yadavagiri.

MVG launched a private radio station in Mysuru on 28th September 1936 called Akashvani. In 1957, Akashvani was chosen to be the on-air name of national radio service All India Radio (AIR) and at present Akashvani is used officially instead of AIR.

Bharathi Ghanashyam, noted writer and daughter of MVG's eldest son Air Commodore M.G. Ramachandra, V.M., A.V.S.M, while speaking to the gathering, remembered that her repeated reference to her grandfather's achievements, be it with vegetable sellers or tailors or laundrymen, annoyed a friend so much that she commented exasperatedly that MVG was a virus.

Bharathi said, "Initially I was angry with my friend. Later I realised that MVG's initiative, to establish Akashvani Station, was indeed a virus, albeit a beneficial one, that spread rapidly across India to educate, inform and entertain people."

Bharathi's daughter and MVG's great granddaughter **Pavithra Ghanashyam,** who was coincidentally a radio jockey and is still working in the radio sector, said her mother spoke about MVG like one utters prayers and their visits to Mysuru were like visits to a temple.

S.S. Umesh, Assistant Director and Head of Mysuru Akashvani Station, recalled that MVG was suggested the name Akashvani by writer Na. Kasturi's mother. Kasturi was a teacher and lecturer in Maharaja's institutions in Mysuru and was the first Assistant Director of Akashvani, which was the third radio station in India. Even though he hailed from Kerala with a formal education in Malayalam, Na. Kasturi is a renowned literary giant in Kannada.

Umesh also noted that innovation is in the DNA of Mysuru soil and most of the ideas from here have gone global and even Mysuru Akashvani has conducted various experiments in the audio media and 80 percent of them have been successful.

"There is a plan to install a bust of MVG at the entrance of Mysuru Akashvani and MVG's descendants can chip in for the task," he added.

Prof. C. Naganna, a writer, avid radio person and retired English Professor said, "MVG's Akashvani brought in changes in the daily routine of thousands of people, as it became a part of their lives."

Srinivasan, the Assistant Engineer of the radio station said, "MVG has contributed a lot to the society not just by starting a radio station and as a Psychology Professor, but also as the first academician in India, to start multiple choice (MC) or objective type questions. Now, these MC questions are useful in computer valuation for various purposes."

MVG also worked to establish the second Psychology Department in India in the University of Mysore, the first being Calcutta University in 1916, he added.

'*Nenapina Doni*' event began with an audio interview of MVG's wife Kamala, by former Director of Mysuru Akashvani Jyothsna K. Kamath, about 'Shishuvihara' (pre-school).

In 1928, when 'Gopalaswamy Shishuvihara' was started, it was the first such initiative in South India. Writer G.P. Rajarathnam's famous Shishu Geethegalu (children's poems) were written for the students of the Shishuvihara.

The event was invoked with Naadageethe of Mysuru '*Kayo Sri Gowri*' by Chaitrika. It was interspersed with songs like '*Bharathada Banuli*' by her, songs from the archives and interactions.

MVG was born in Tamil Nadu in 1899 and died on June 29, 1957, while serving at NIMHANS, Bengaluru.

MVG's youngest son M.G. Rajinikanth, only daughter Usha Sharma and daughter-in-law Bhama Vijayashankar were also present at the event.

S.S. Umesh, Assistant Director and Head of Mysuru Akashvani.

A group photo of the family members of Dr. M.V. Gopalaswamy, Founder of Mysuru Akashvani.

BJP need not speak about my hairstyle: Minister

School Education and Literacy Minister Madhu Bangarappa addressing a press meet in city this morning as former MLC Marithibbegowda and District Congress President Dr. B.J. Vijaykumar look on.

Mysuru, May 28 (BLU&DM)- Even as the war of words between School Education and Literacy Minister Madhu Bangarappa and State BJP Chief B.Y. Vijayendra escalated, with the latter taking exception to the Minister's hairstyle, Madhu Bangarappa has asked the BJP leaders not to speak about his hairstyle and his family.

Addressing a press meet at Congress Bhavan near the City Railway Station here this morning, Madhu Bangarappa said the BJP, which spoke about KPCC President D.K. Shivakumar's beard in the run up to the 2023 Assembly polls, must note that its strength in the Assembly came down to just 66 seats in the polls.

"Now the BJP may end up getting just 6 out of the 26 seats that it had won in the last LS polls in Karnataka", he said while questioning why the BJP remained silent on former President Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam's hairstyle.

Continuing his tirade on the BJP, Madhu asserted that even PM Modi had sported a long beard during COVID-19 pandemic and he wants to know why BJP leaders did not question then.

Asserting that he has good long hairs, he said what was more important for him is that he has a good brain and he will work with application of mind for addressing issues.

"My father S. Bangarappa, who was a former Chief Minister, has taught me to do good things in life. I need not have to care for BJP Chief B.Y. Vijayendra or other BJP leaders for their comments on my hairstyle. My father is my biggest inspiration," he said while asserting that he had not insulted Savita Samaja through his comments.

He further said that someone may have misled the community about my remarks which was not targeted at the community.

Referring to school text books, the Minister said that the school text books were changed at the start of the 2023-24 academic year based on 45 points. Now there will be no further changes or corrections this academic year (2024-25), he clarified adding that the Congress Government was committed for strengthening the Primary Education sector in the State.

MLC Dr. D. Thimmaiah, former MLA M.K. Somashekar, City Congress President R. Murthy, District Congress President Dr. B.J. Vijaykumar, KPCC Vice-President Sudheendra, former Mayor B.K. Prakash and others were present during the press meet.

Raghu Kautilya lashes out at Madhu Bangarappa

Mysuru, May 28- Taking strong exception to School Education and Literacy Minister Madhu Bangarappa's remarks that he could not have a haircut as hair dressers were busy, State BJP OBC Morcha President Raghu R. Kautilya said that such arrogant remarks of the Minister was an insult to the barber community.

In a tweet, Raghu Kautilya said that the Minister's remarks against the working class community was in bad taste. Targetting the Minister for asking State BJP Chief Vijayendra to do haircut for him if he was free, Raghu said that such remark was a disgrace to Madhu Bangarappa.

Raghu Kautilya

The Minister, instead of responding positively to Vijayendra's suggestions, seems to have got disturbed and reacted out of frustration, he said and asked the Minister to stop making comments on the working class and micro-communities.

7,336 traffic violation cases booked in a day

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Various violations were targeted and on-the-spot penalties were imposed, particularly for offences such as triple riding, riding without a helmet, riding without a number plate, carrying passengers in goods vehicles, and drinking and driving.

Interestingly, a majority of the cases were booked against violators who rode two-wheelers without helmets. While most violators paid penalties on the spot, many others opted to pay later as they did not have cash at hand. Some vehicle owners whose vehicles have been seized will have to pay the fine and then get their vehicles released.

The Police have seized hundreds of vehicles, including those involved in drunken driving offenses. "For repeat offenders, their licenses will be suspended in addition to levying the prescribed penalty," the Police stated.

Traffic violation drive: 27.5.2024

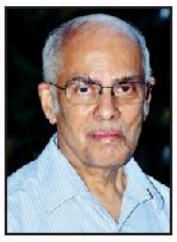
Violations	Number of cases
Triple riding	194
Without helmet	6,919
Without number plate	113
Carrying passengers in goods vehicles	44
Drink and drive	66
Total	7,336

Gruha Jyothi Vs 24x7 power supply

What would be your choice?

By Bhamy V. Shenoy

Mysuru, May 28- If given the choice between receiving up to 200 units of free power supply (Gruha Jyothi) and uninterrupted power supply on a 24x7 basis, many of us would likely lean towards the uninterrupted power supply.



Bhamy V. Shenoy

My intention in raising this issue is not to criticise the strategy of the Congress party, as undoubtedly, such promises may have helped it win the last Assembly elections. Other parties, including the BJP, have also made similar guarantees, which can have long-term implications for the State and country.

As voters, we have a responsibility to engage in discussions about these issues. Uninterrupted power supply is essential, especially in the internet era as we move towards Artificial Intelligence. It is a basic necessity that benefits both the poor and the affluent.

Unfortunately, in Mysuru, we have come to accept frequent power interruptions as our 'fate', considering them to be a natural occurrence. Back in the early 90s, when the Mysore Grahakara Parishat (MGP) organised protests against such interruptions, there was significant participation. However, if MGP were to organise a similar protest today, the turnout would likely be much lower.

The planned power supply cut for many parts of the city on May 25, lasting full eight hours, compelled me to initiate this discussion and urge Mysureans to demand a better power supply.

Although it was announced that the power cut would last from 10 am until 6 pm, it persisted beyond 6.40 pm. Yet, how many of us lodged complaints regarding the delay? In a democracy, if we, the people, remain silent, improvements will never materialise. It's time to cease solely blaming elected leaders for our problems; we must acknowledge our responsibility.

Thanks to Gruha Jyothi, the Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation (CESC) has limited funds for necessary repair projects. Ensuring uninterrupted power supply is not beyond reach; it requires investment in alternate supply systems, such as underground cables, to mitigate minor natural disruptions (excluding severe storms or winds). However, such projects necessitate funding.

When residents approached the Managing Director of CESC to inquire why well-developed areas like Yadavagiri experience frequent power outages, the response was straightforward. **The Detailed Project Report (DPR) to lay underground cables has long been awaiting approval due to funding constraints.**

It is imperative that we, the people, organise meetings with our elected leaders to demand an uninterrupted power supply. We must also hold officials accountable for fulfilling promises regarding power provision.

Sex scandal: Two more arrested by SIT

Bengaluru, May 28 (KMS& DM)- The Special Investigating Team (SIT), which is probing the sleaze video and sexual abuse case registered against Hassan JD(S) MP Prajwal Revanna, has arrested two more persons this morning here in connection with the alleged distribution of pen drives related to the case.

The arrested are Naveen Gowda and Chetan of Hassan.

The two, whose names prominently figured in the alleged sleaze video case, had come to the High Court for a hearing in connection with the petition that they had filed seeking anticipatory bail, when the SIT team picked them up, it is learnt.

MBA Graduation Day at GSSSIETW

Mysuru, May 28- Graduation Day ceremony of MBA 2023 batch students of GSSS Institute of Engineering and Technology for Women (GSSSIETW), Mysuru, was held on May 16 at its M. Govinda Rao Memorial Hall.

Chief guest of the ceremony, Nagaraja Gargeshwari, President and Director, Automotive Axles Ltd., Mysuru, spoke about the power of women to empower the nation.

He appreciated GSSSIETW for imparting quality education and also took cognisance of the objectives of the institute to empower women.

He also emphasised on the importance of taking good care of health and physical health are equally important.

"We should be grateful to our parents as they have given birth to us, nurtured us, taught us, with a good upbringing and dedicated their entire life for us," said Nagaraja.

He congratulated all the students for their achievements and acknowledged the support rendered by the teachers, parents and well-wishers for helping them in securing the degree and to reach their goals.

The 2023 batch MBA students of GSSSIETW taking oath during the Graduation Day ceremony on May 16. Picture right shows Nagaraja Gargeshwari (sitting), President and Director, Automotive Axles Ltd, Mysuru, being felicitated by Vanaja B. Pandit, Hon. Secretary, GSSS, Mysuru, as (standing from left) Dr. M. Jagadeesha, Professor and Head, Department of MBA, GSSSIETW and Dr. M. Shivakumar, Principal, GSSSIETW, look on.

The degree certificates were distributed to the students by the dignitaries, followed by administering of oath to the successful students, by K. Priya, Assistant Professor, Department of MBA.

The event was presided by Vanaja B. Pandit, Hon. Secretary, GSSS, Mysuru.

In her presidential address, Vanaja Pandit advised the students to show gratitude towards their parents and teachers.

Dr. M. Jagadeesha , Professor and Head, Department of MBA, GSSSIETW, Mysuru, welcomed the gathering. Dr. Shashidhar S. Mahantshetti, Associate Professor, Department of MBA, introduced the chief guest to the gathering. Dr. R.S. Ashok Kumar, Associate Professor, Department of MBA, GSSSIETW, proposed a vote of thanks. Dr. M. Shivakumar, Principal, GSSSIETW, Mysuru and HODs and faculty members were present.

Endowment Award Ceremony at St. Joseph's FGC

Mysuru, May 28- The 10th Graduation Day and Prof. Mani C. Mathew Endowment Award Ceremony was organised at St. Joseph's First Grade College in Jayalakshmipuram recently.

Dr. N.S. Ramegowda, CEO, Adichunchanagiri Shikshana Trust and former Vice-Chancellor, KSOU, who was the chief guest on the occasion, opined that the educational landscape is highly dynamic which is constantly evolving. It is therefore vital for teachers to stay innovative and keep themselves abreast with the latest happenings, he added.

He said, the practice of affiliation, a British legacy, would vanish from 2035 and that this would add to the autonomy of colleges. In this regard, he urged the higher education institutions to go beyond the syllabus in order to maintain quality of education.

The speaker also highlighted the role of higher education institutions by stating that innovation in teaching, learning and evaluation; research and extension activities was vital for bridging the gap between lab and land.

Rev. Fr. Vijay Kumar, Secretary and Correspondent, Mysore Diocesan Education Society (MDES), in his presidential remarks, said: "Real education is beyond academic degrees and certificates. One's education must reflect in his/her personality. Education must empower students to bring in a change in the society."

On the occasion, Endowment Awards instituted by the Founding Principal of the College, Prof. Mani C. Mathew was presented to the students of 2024 batch for Academic Excellence. Awards for The Best Outgoing Students, Pride of Joseph's and Spirited Josephite were also given away to students who had performed remarkably well in curricular and co-curricular activities.

Rev. Fr. Avinash, Administrator, MDES, administered the oath. Joyce Lobo, CEO, St. Joseph's School; Seby Mavley, CEO, Training and Development, MDES; H.N. Chandrashekara, Principal; R. Shilpa, Vice-Principal, St. Joseph's First Grade College and others were present. Hundreds of students, who graduated in the previous academic year, were joined by their parents in making the event a memorable one.

The awardees

Mani C. Mathew Endowment Award (BA) - Renita Monis, B.Com - Lavanya C. Moses, BBA - M.U. Accamma, BCA - Anusha V Rao and BSc. - G. Leesha.

Best Outgoing Student Award (BA) - N. Jonathan Daniel, B.Com - L. Varsha, BBA - S. Inchara, BCA - Rishin Aiyappa and BSc. - A.G. Monica.

Pride of Joseph's Award (Cultural) - B. Bhavya Pai & M.S. Mohan Kumar; Sports - M.S. Preetham, Karthik Sopan Mahendrakar, C.A. Shashank; NSS - S. Nagendra & M.J. Bhoomika; NCC - SUO M.M. Sannidhi Muthamma, Cdt. M. Namthanba Thangal and S. Anjana.

Spirited Josephite Award - Sharanya S. Murthy, G. Hemanth, N.D. Mohith, Sinchana Priya and Jithin Anthony.

Graduation Day at Basudev Somani College

Mysuru, May 28 (DM)- Graduation Day was held at Basudev Somani College on Vishwamanava Double Road in Kuvempunagar here on May 24.

Speaking after inaugurating the programme, Dr. M. Puttaswamy, President of the Institute of Education Trust, which runs the college, called upon the graduating students to strive for the development of the society.

Highlighting that students play a key role in building the society, he wished the students all success in their future studies and career.

Trust Secretary Kuber P. Gowda, in his address, said that the students should complete Post-Graduation and subsequently take up research and thus contribute for the nation's growth. He also had a word of advice for the students saying that they should take care of their parents and thus bring honour to their hometown.

College Administrative Officer P. Geethanjali and College Principal Dr. M. Mahadevaswamy too spoke.

Managing Trustee S. Prabha Puttaswamy presented degree certificates to students.

Dr. T. Ramesh welcomed the gathering, while the college faculty S. Manjula compered the programme and student Kushi Narayanadas proposed a vote of thanks.

All the college staff and students were present.

Diploma course at GTTC

Mysuru, May 28- The Government Tool Room and Training Centre (GTTC), Mysuru, has invited online applications from eligible SSLC-passed candidates for admission to Diploma courses in Tool and Die Making, Precision Manufacturing and Electronics and Communication.

Admission will be made through Karnataka Examination Authority (KEA) based on Merit-cum-Roster system.

For more details, log on to the websites ***https://gttc.karnataka.gov.in*** and ***http://cetonline.karnataka.gov.in*** or contact Helpline: 155267, according to a press release from the GTTC Principal.

Pride of Mysuru at stake

Unkempt roads, incomplete works, footpath encroachments, menace of flex boards reflect official apathy

The junction near JSS Hospital at the intersection of Ramanuja Road and MG Road, which has turned into a bane for the road users. Picture right shows a scooter rider manoeuvring a road cutting near Highway Circle in Bannimantap.

A huge crater in front of Gopala Gowda Shanthaveri Memorial Hospital in Nazarbad posing danger not only to the motorists but also the bus commuters waiting for the buses. Picture right shows the footpath encroachment on the road that connects to DAR Police Quarters in Jyothinagar through Air Force Selection Board Road.

Mysuru, May 28 (SBD&BS)- Is the administrative machinery taking people for a ride, blatantly ignoring the pride of Mysuru, that is synonymous with several sobriquets like 'Cultural Capital' and 'Clean City' to name a few.

Despite many glaring evidences that mar the pride of the city, the officials have turned a blind eye towards the pathetic sight with unkempt roads, incomplete works and the menace of flex boards. All these raise a moot question — In which way, the Mysuru that has princely imprint is heading? It is not just the officials, even the public have to take the blame for keeping mum without raising their voice against the civic apathy.

To cite several such instances, the underground pipeline works on a stretch of Ramanuja Road, a huge crater in front of Gopala Gowda Shanthaveri Memorial Hospital in Nazarbad, footpath encroachments in several parts of the city and flex boards marring the visual look of the city and deluge created on footpaths due to rains in the last 25 days, have been severely inconveniencing the public, but the authorities concerned are yet to wake up from the slumber.

The junction near JSS Hospital at the intersection of Ramanuja Road and MG Road, has turned into a crater. The stretch of road was dug for underground pipeline works, but the contractor who completed the works on a snail's pace, has allegedly failed to restore the road later. With the junction being busy round the clock, with a large number of people thronging the hospital and ambulances zipping day and night, it has turned into a bane for the road users. Similarly, the crater near the main gate of Gopala Gowda Shanthaveri Memorial Hospital poses several risks. Apart from the vehicle users, the bus commuters waiting for the buses nearby, may become susceptible to mishap if they appear nonchalant. Imagine the plight of road users including the patients, health staff, women and children alike, when the crater is filled with rain water, with heavy downpour becoming common of late.

A visit to Mysuru-Nanjangud Road that forms NH-766 provides a glimpse of shoddy road works, with partly a stretch of the road asphalted, leaving another stretch of the road unattended. The unsuspecting riders are sure to skid, if they ride over the pebbles on the surface of the road, but whom to blame in case of any fatal mishaps, with the four-wheelers too facing the risk.

The rampant footpath encroachments on Mahadeshwara Road (Mysuru-T. Narasipur Road), Sangolli Rayanna Circle on Lalitha Mahal Road and the road that connects to District Armed Reserve (DAR) Police Quarters in Jyothinagar through Air Force Selection Board Road, is another grave issue to think over.

Vendors of fruit, vegetables and toys, set up make-shift stalls in modified autos and occupy a stretch of the road. The buyers, who haphazardly park their vehicles in the middle of the road, severely inconvenience the road users. Fortunately, no major accidents are reported here, but if left unchecked, days won't be far, when it will turn into 'Accident Zone'.

In the recent years, it has become a fashion among the public to install flex boards, most of them without seeking permission from Mysuru City Corporation (MCC), on every other occasion, in various parts of the city.

Be it Highway, prominent roads, junctions and circles, the flex boards will be put all over on the occasion of birthdays to greet political leaders and friends and also during the death, to pay homage to near and dear ones.

Even though it is a commonly debated issue in MCC Council meetings, Abhaya, the emergency rescue wing of MCC, swings into action only at the heat of the moment, it is alleged.

With this being the pathetic state of Mysuru, will the MCC and other Urban Local Bodies (ULB) wake up before the situation goes out of hand. Hope sense prevails among the top echelons of the city.

Alert locals 'fix' pothole

Mysuru, May 28 (BLU&BS)- A pothole on Kamakshi Hospital Road in Saraswathipuram has led to serial accidents, but the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) officials care a hoot to fix the issue at least in the interest of road users. The pothole can be seen on a stretch of road that connects the hospital from KG Koppal. Several two-wheeler riders have met with minor accidents, with the wheels of vehicles getting stuck in the pothole.

The alert locals have, however, placed the sack of red soil on the pothole, to divert the vehicle users, without waiting for the MCC to fix the issue. The locals vent their anguish over MCC officials for their complaint over the pothole met with a cold response.

The public are also clueless over the reasons that caused a pothole in the middle of the road, with neither the underground drainage (UGD) network passing by, to surmise over the porous points of the road.

However, the chances of pothole developing larger cannot be ignored, with the road wilting under the weight of vehicular traffic, bit by bit with every passing day, it is said.

WORD OF THE DAY

Glean

Pronunciation: GLEEN (Verb)
Meaning: To glean is to gather or collect something bit by bit, or in a gradual way. Glean can also be used to mean "to search (something) carefully" and "to find out."
Origin: While it is certainly true that one must reap what one sows (that is, harvest the crops that one plants), what should be done about the grain and other produce left over that the reapers missed? Well, friends, that must be gleaned—waste not, want not, after all. It's a finicky business, too, picking through stalks and under leaves and whatnot. When it was first used in English in the 14th century, glean carried both the sense of "to gather grain or other produce left by reapers" and the more figurative meaning of "to gather information or material bit by bit," reflecting the slow, gradual, painstaking work of scouring the fields. Over the years, and especially in the 20th and 21st centuries, glean has also come to be used frequently with the meaning "to find out, learn, ascertain." This sense has been criticised by folks who think glean should always imply the drudgery involved in the literal grain-gathering sense, but it is well established and perfectly valid.
Example: "Not only did procuring money to maintain her company figure in Graham's acceptance of the occasional theatre job during the 1930s; perhaps, too, she thought that being associated with a successful play could bring new audiences to her dance performances. There can be no doubt that she gleaned something from each experience outside the rigorous and profoundly idiosyncratic works she created for her company, even if she learned that there were some projects she would prefer never to undertake again." — Deborah Jowitt, Errand into the Maze: The Life and Works of Martha Graham, 2024

THE ODD WORD

Piffle

Nonsense.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Skid Row

Meaning: The phrase 'Skid row' refers to a poor area in a city where homeless people sleep outdoors or rent cheap rooms.
Origin: The term 'Skid row' originated around 1900, when the term 'skid road' was used to describe the part of a town that was frequented by loggers, who made roads or tracks of logs laid crosswise on one another. The loggers, who were in town to have fun drinking at bars and visiting brothels, often stayed in cheap rooms or passed out on the street. By the 1930s, the term 'skid row' replaced 'skid road,' and its current meaning had come into use.
Example: "Jerry's drinking has gotten to be so bad that we're afraid he'll end up on skid row."

QUOTE BOX

My soul can find no staircase to Heaven unless it be through Earth's loveliness.— **Michelangelo**

RIDDLE THIS

What has a thumb and four fingers, but is not a hand?

Answer: A glove.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Famous whaler of Moby Dick?
5 Nav. readings
9 Edible tuber
12 Carbonated beverage
13 Bad temper displays
15 An arm and ___ (1,3)
16 Means
17 In ____ : being argued about?
19 English schools ___ & Harrow
20 Conditions
21 Bahamas capital
23 One of the Marx Brothers
26 Workout or exercise place, in short
27 Pounds abbr
28 Malarial fever
29 Little Abraham
30 An island or an Indian gardener?
31 Equipment
32 Surprised reactions?
33 Urticaria
34 Greek capital
36 Pas' mates
37 Ex-English wicket keeper Stewart
38 Letter
42 States repeatedly
44 ____ tea : not your regular hot cuppa?
45 Determined
46 He giveth & he taketh away!
47 "Sad" change for newspaper revenue ?
48 Sly look
49 One-named Irish singer

DOWN

1 _ __ state of affairs: unfortunate circumstances (1,3)
2 Festival of colour
3 Fruit drinks
4 Scottish instrument
5 Numerical facts in short
6 Rescue or preserve from harm or danger
7 Vane directions ?
8 Running water
9 A Tito compatriot
10 Submissive, accommodating or tractable
11 Random Hse. mail
14 Turns informer; squeals
18 E.T.'s ride
21 Nickname used for the late Mr. Bevan
22 United States Information Service, acronym?
23 Maori war dance
24 Emotionally troubled
25 Without pity
26 Literary initials
29 American Helicopter Society
30 Projectile
32 Available if needed (2,4)
33 Owns
35 Architect Saarinen
36 Skinflint
38 Apportion
39 Revered figure
40 Particularly
41 Norse poems
42 Lyricist Gershwin
43 Calendar abbr.

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

C	P	A	■	I	D	L	E	■	T	S	A	R
A	U	G	■	N	A	I	L	■	H	A	T	E
P	L	A	Y	T	I	M	E	■	E	Y	R	E
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C	H	A	N	C	E	S	■	P	E	R	K	Y
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M	O	O	L	A	H	■	P	I	T	■	■	■
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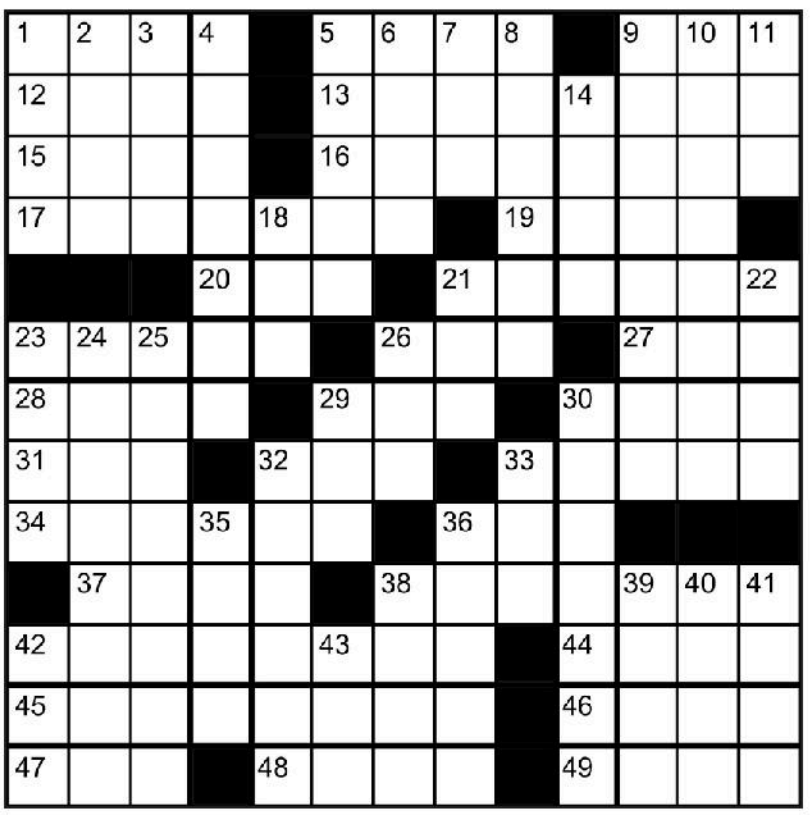

SUDOKU

4			6		3			1
	1		8		4		7	
		2				9		
	5		2		8		9	
7								2
	2		9		7		3	
		8				1		
	4		5		1		6	
1			4		9			5

Answer to previous puzzle

2	3	8	9	1	7	5	6	4
6	4	1	8	2	5	3	7	9
5	7	9	6	3	4	8	1	2
7	9	3	4	5	8	1	2	6
8	1	2	3	9	6	7	4	5
4	6	5	1	7	2	9	3	8
9	5	4	7	6	1	2	8	3
3	8	7	2	4	9	6	5	1
1	2	6	5	8	3	4	9	7

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

PDKNFMKNP DAXJ G OWGAVN DB HMNLZDMAF MP

ANNI FD ODAHNUF G FMUNPDKN IYFJ MAFD

GA MAFNUNPFMAV DZZDUFYAMFJ.

TODAY'S CLUE: V EQUALS G

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: Live not one's life as though one had a thousand years, but live each day as the last.

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Furiosa: A Mad Max Saga (E)	(S-1)	10.15 am, 4.05 pm
		7 pm, 9.55 pm
Moorane Krishnappa (K)	(S-1)	1.10 pm
Ramana Avatara (K)	(S-2)	10.30 am
Bhaiyya Ji (H)	(S-2)	1.35 pm, 4.25 pm
Thalavan (Ma)	(S-2)	7.15 pm, 10 pm
The Judgement (K)	(S-3)	10.20 am, 4.05 pm, 7.05 pm
PT Sir (Ta)	(S-3)	1.20 pm
Guruvayur Ambalanadayil (Ma)	(S-3)	10.05 pm
Turbo (Ma)	(S-4)	10.10 am, 4 pm
		7 pm, 10 pm
Garifield Movie (E-3D)	(S-4)	1.50 pm

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Evidence (K)	(S-1)	11.15 am
Aranmanai 4 (Ta)	(S-1)	1.15 pm
Turbo (Ma)	(S-1)	4.00 pm
	(S-2)	1.05 pm, 6.50 pm, 9.45 pm
Moorane Krishnappa (K)	(S-1)	6.40 pm
The Judgement (K)	(S-1)	9.30 pm
	(S-3)	10.40 am, 3.55 pm
Furiosa: A Mad Max Saga (E)	(S-2)	10.20 am, 4.05 pm
	(S-3)	6.45 pm, 9.30 pm
3Devi (K)	(S-3)	1.30 pm

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Furiosa: A Mad Max Saga (E)	:	9.30 am, 12.45 pm, 4 pm
		7.15 pm, 10.30 pm
Furiosa: A Mad Max Saga (H)	:	11.40 am, 9.40 pm
The Judgement (K)	:	11.55 am, 6.05 pm
Trailers Screening Show	:	12.15 pm
Turbo (Ma)	:	12.15 pm, 3.30 pm
		6.45 pm, 10 pm
PT Sir (Ta)	:	12.20 pm, 3.10 pm, 6.10 pm
3Devi (K)	:	12.50 pm
Moorane Krishnappa (K)	:	3.05 pm
Guruvayoorambala Nadayil (Ma)	:	3.35 pm, 9.30 pm
Tamasha (H)	:	6.15 pm
Thalavan (Ma)	:	6.30 pm
The Garfield Movie (E)	:	9.00 pm
Duniyadari (Ma)	:	9.15 pm

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Turbo (Ma)	:	11.45 am, 3 pm, 6.15 pm, 9 pm
Trailers Screening Show	:	11.50 am
Moorane Krishnappa (K)	:	11.55 am
Furiosa: A Mad Max Saga (E)	:	12 noon, 3.15 pm, 6.30 pm, 9.45 pm
Love Me If You Dare (Te)	:	12.25 pm, 6.15 pm
The Judgement (K)	:	2.55 pm
PT Sir (Ta)	:	3.25 pm, 9.15 pm
Guruvayoorambala Nadayil (Ma)	:	6.05 pm, 9.30 pm

Umang Silk Expo till June 2

Umang Silk Expo, featuring more than 1,50,000 varieties of sarees and apparel items, which is underway at Nanjaraja Bahadur Choultry on Vinoba Road in Shivarampet, Mysuru, will conclude on June 2. The expo is open for shoppers between 11 am and 9 pm every day.

EVENTS TODAY (MAY 28)

- **Ramsons Handicrafts:** 10th edition of Kreedaa Kaushalya, an exhibition of traditional board games of India, Ramsons Handicrafts emporium, opposite Mysuru Zoo, **up to 7 pm.**
- **Bharani Art Gallery:** 30th Anniversary Celebrations, an exhibition of water colour paintings 'Nisarga Lalithya' by well-known artist H.P. Rangaswamy of Mysuru, Gallery premises, Vivekanandanagar, **up to 7 pm.**
- **Abhinava Mantralaya Raghavendra Mutt, Krishnamurthypuram:** 501st Shastriya Harikatha by Srilalitha Uliyar on 'Sundarakanda - Hanumadvilasa,' Dr. Vyasanakere Prabhanjanacharyaru inaugurates, Industrialist Dr. M. Jagannath Shenoy presides, noted orator Chakravarty Sulibele special guest, Sri Raghavendra Aradhana Mandira, Mutt premises, **5.30 pm to 8.30 pm.**
- **Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha:** 159th Birthday Memorial Programme of Sangeetha Kalanidhi Mysore Vasudevacharya, Karnatak Classical Vocal by Dr. Nagavalli Nagaraj, accompanied by Vidu. Pruthvi Bhaskar on violin, Vid. Phanindra Bhaskar on mridanga and Vid. V.S. Ramesh on morching (sponsored by late K.V. Murthy), Vasudevacharya Bhavana, JLB Road, **6 pm.**
- **Sri Srinivasaswamy Temple, Tilak Nagar:** Annual Festival, Mudi Utsava, Garudotsava, Temple premises, **6 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (MAY 29)

- **Lekhika Sahitya Vedike, Bengaluru:** Book release, prize distribution and interaction, noted Medical practitioner and writer Dr. Veena Bharathi inaugurates, writer and 'Sahitya Sakhi' Editor Shylaja Suresh of Bengaluru presides, writer Trishala Bramhaiah's work 'Samyak Deepti,' Dr. M.R. Mandaravalli's 'Divya Chikitse – Aarogyakke Hebbagilu' and writer T.R. Usharani's 'Sakkare Mithai' will be released by former Pathology Professor and Littérateur Dr. H.A. Parshvanath, writer and 'Profit Plus' Editor Sudha Sharma Chavatti and Scholar Dr. Kabbinale Vasanth Bharadwaj respectively; Conferring of 'Lekhika Book Award-2023' on Dr. Ganesh Amingad and Dr. Geetha Sitaram; Prize distribution to the winners of Vani Family Story Writing Contest; Interaction with Vasumathi Udupa, Suruchi Rangamane, Kuvempunagar, **10.30 am.** [Mob: 99163-78955]
- **Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha:** T.R. Hahalingam Samsmarana Vedike Concerts, Karnatak Classical Flute by Vid. T.R. Srinath, accompanied by Vidu. Pruthvi Bhaskar on violin, Vid. G.S. Ramanujan on mridanga and Vid. V.S. Ramesh on morching (sponsored by Sri Thyagaraja Sangeetha Sabha, Mysuru), Vasudevacharya Bhavana, JLB Road, **6 pm.**
- **Rangayana, Mysuru:** Staging of play 'Vriksha Raja,' directed by Heisnam Tomba, Bhoomigeeta auditorium, Rangayana premises, **6.30 pm.**
- **Sri Srinivasaswamy Temple, Tilak Nagar:** Annual Festival, Mahabhisheka, **9 am;** Varshotsava, Temple premises, **7 pm.**

INOX LIVE the MOVIE

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PT Sir (Ta)	:	10.10 am, 1.20 pm, 7.20 pm
The Judgement (K)	:	10.10 am, 4.10 pm
Furiosa: A Mad Max Saga (E)	:	10.50 am, 12 noon, 3.15 pm
		6.30 pm, 9.45 pm
Trailers Screening Show	:	11.20 am
Turbo (Ma)	:	1.00 pm, 4.10 pm, 7.20 pm
Rockstar (H)	:	2.05 pm
Moorane Krishnappa (K)	:	5.50 pm
Ramana Avatara (K)	:	9 pm
Srikanth (H)	:	10.10 pm
Guruvayoorambala Nadayil (Ma)	:	10.30 pm

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Furiosa: A Mad Max Saga (E)	:	10 am, 1 pm, 4.15 pm
		7.05 pm, 10.30 pm
PT Sir (Ta)	:	10.10 am, 4.15 pm
Trailers Screening Show	:	11.50 am
The Judgement (K)	:	12.20 pm, 6.40 pm
3Devi (K)	:	12.30 pm
Love Me If You Dare (Te)	:	1.15 pm, 7.30 pm
Turbo (Ma)	:	3.15 pm, 10.20 pm
Moorane Krishnappa (K)	:	3.30 pm
Manjummel Boys (Ma)	:	6.25 pm
Thalavan (Ma)	:	9.20 pm
Guruvayoorambala Nadayil (Ma)	:	9.50 pm

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